

HOUSE No. 410

By Mr. Fresolo of Worcester, petition of John P. Fresolo and others for legislation to provide that dispute resolution procedures be made available over issues arising during mid-term bargaining of public employees. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

John P. Fresolo
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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT PROVIDING THAT DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCEDURES SHALL BE AVAILABLE OVER ISSUES ARISING DURING MID-TERM BARGAINING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 9 of Chapter 150E of the General Laws is
2 hereby amended by striking out the first sentence of the first para-
3 graph of said Section 9 and inserting in place thereof the
4 following:—

5 After a reasonable period of negotiation over the terms of a col-
6 lective bargaining agreement or over mid-term bargaining issues,
7 either party or the parties acting jointly may petition the board for
8 a determination of the existence of an impasse.

1 SECTION 2. Chapter 1078 of the Acts of 1973, as most
2 recently amended by Chapter 589 of the acts of 1987, is hereby
3 amended by adding thereto the following new Section 5:—

4 Section 5. The dispute resolution procedures set forth in this
5 Section 4A shall be available to parties over issues arising during
6 mid-term bargaining.